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July 2, 2003

Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
State of Louisiana
Post Office Box 94275
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RE: HEARING APPLICATION
Hosston Formation, Reservoir A
Martin Field
Red River Parish, Louisiana
Our File No. 340029.0366

Dear Sir:

On behalf of MARATHON OIL COMPANY, application is hereby made for a public hearing to receive evidence concerning the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Hosston Formation, Reservoir A, in the Martin Field, Red River Parish, Louisiana:

1. To create one (1) additional drilling and production unit (to be designated as HOSS RA SUT) for the Hosston Formation, Reservoir A, in the Martin Field, Red River Parish, Louisiana, as shown on the plat attached hereto.
2. To force pool and unitize all separately owned tracts, mineral leases, and other property interests within said unit, with allocation of production from the unit well to the tracts within the unit therefor to be on the basis of surface acreage.
3. To designate Marathon Oil Company as operator of the proposed HOSS RA SUT and to designate a unit well for such unit.
4. Except to the extent inconsistent herewith, to extend the provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 1137-C, effective April 30, 1982, to the proposed unit.
5. To consider such other matters as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the hearing.

Commissioner of Conservation

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The Hosston Formation, Reservoir A, in the Martin Field, Red River Parish, Louisiana, was fully defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 1137-C, effective April 30, 1982.

Pertinent data regarding this application will be available for inspection at the offices of Marathon Oil Company, 125 W. Missouri Avenue, Midland, Texas 79701. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call Mr. Richard G. Henderson at (432) 687-8384, during normal business hours, or write Mr. Henderson at the above address in order to arrange a time and date for such inspection. Copies of such pertinent data can be obtained at the expense of the requesting party.

A list of the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties (as defined in the Rules of Procedure) is attached hereto, and a copy of this notice, with the annexed plat, is being sent to each of such persons. A reasonable effort has been made to determine that the enclosed list includes all of the persons to whom this notice must be sent under the Rules of Procedure.

By Pre-Application Notice dated June 18, 2003, applicant advised the Commissioner of Conservation, the District Manager and all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties of applicant's intention to apply for the hearing which is the subject of this application. Applicant received no request for a conference, and accordingly, no conference will be held.


A check in the amount of \$755.00 made payable to the Commissioner of Conservation is enclosed herewith as the statutory fee for holding the requested hearing.

This application is being filed in duplicate, and a copy hereof is being sent to Mr. James C. Broussard, Shreveport District Manager of the Office of Conservation and to each Interested Owner, Represented Party and Interested Party whose name is shown on the attached list.

Very truly yours,

BLANCHARD, WALKER, O'QUIN & ROBERTS

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Enclosures

By: 
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cc: Mr. James C. Broussard, Shreveport District Manager,
Office of Conservation (w/enclosures)
Interested Owners, Represented Parties
and Interested Parties (w/copy of plat only)

MARTIN FIELD



1" = 3000'

MARTIN FIELD
RED RIVER PARISH, LOUISIANA

EXHIBIT NO.
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